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AUTOPSY REPORT

Case Number:

October 4, 2017

POSTMORTEM EXAMINATION ON THE BODY OF



Date of Pronounced Death: October 1, 2017
Date of Postmortem Examination: October 4, 2017

EXTERNAL EXAMINATION:

The body was received sealed with a seal number 725552 along with the identification tag. The body was that of a normally developed and nourished, female, appearing about the recorded age of years. The body measured 72 inches in length and weighed 205 pounds. Rigor mortis had passed. Livor mortis was present posteriorly and fixed. Clothing was consisted of shirt, pants, bra, underwear and shoes. The head was normocephalic and the scalp hair was brown. The eyes had white sclerae, pale conjunctivae, and blue irides. The dentition was natural. No lesions of the oral mucosa were identified. There were no masses discernable in the neck and the larynx was in the midline. The abdomen was rounded. The external genitalia were those of a normal adult female. There was a plastic bracelet around the right wrist.

EVIDENCE OF TREATMENT:

Endotracheal tube, tourniquet on the left arm and intravascular line in the back of the left hand were present.

EVIDENCE OF INJURY:

PERFORATING GUNSHOT WOUND TO THE RIGHT CHEST:

There was a $1.0~{\rm cm} \times 0.6~{\rm cm}$ round through and through entrance gunshot wound on the right chest, 15-1/2 inches below the top of the head and 7-1/2 inches right of the anterior midline. There was marginal abrasion on the wound. There was no soot or gunpowder stippling noted on the skin surrounding this wound. The wound track proceeded from this injury through the soft tissue, anterior right chest wall soft tissue, right lung,

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heart, left lung, posterior left seventh rib, and ended at an exit wound on the left back, 15-1/2 inch below the top of the head and 3-3/4 inches left of the posterior midline. The exit wound appeared irregular with laceration and 0.3 cm abrasion located at 6 to 12 o'clock position. Associated injuries included hemorrhage along the wound path and bilateral hemothoraces of at least 40 mL of blood in the right pleural cavity and at least 45 mL of blood in the left pleural cavity. The wound track was from front to back and right to left when the body is viewed in the standard anatomical position. There was no bullet or part of bullet recovered from the wound track.

Additional injuries:

There was a $\frac{1}{2}$ inch x $\frac{3}{16}$ inch abrasion on the right knee. There was a $\frac{1}{2}$ inch x $\frac{1}{2}$ inch pink-pale green contusion on the anterior right leg. There was a $\frac{1}{2}$ inch x $\frac{1}{16}$ inch abrasion on the left knee.

SPECIMEN RETAINED: None

RADIOGRAPHS:

Anterior postmortem radiographs together encompassing the head, torso and extremities were taken and findings were included in the evidence of injury.

FINAL DIAGNOSES

- 1. Perforating gunshot wound to the right chest
- 2. Abrasions on the right knee and left leg
- 3. Contusion on the right leg

OPINION:

It is my opinion that death was caused by gunshot wound to the right chest sustained during mass fatality incident.

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PERFORATING GUNSHOT WOUND TO THE RIGHT CHEST:

There was a through and through entrance gunshot wound on the right chest located on the upper outer quadrant of the right breast. There was no evidence of close range of firing noted on the skin surrounding this wound. The wound track proceeded from this injury through the soft tissue, anterior right chest wall soft tissue, right lung, heart, left lung, posterior left seventh rib, and ended at an exit wound on the left upper back. Associated injuries included hemorrhage along the wound path and bilateral hemothoraces. The wound track was from front to back and right to left when the body is viewed in the standard anatomical position. There was no bullet or part of bullet recovered from the wound track.

Additional injuries included abrasions on the right knee and left leg, and contusion on the right leg.

Postmortem toxicology report revealed blood alcohol concentration (BAC) of 0.030 g/100mL.

CAUSE OF DEATH: Gunshot wound to the right chest

MANNER: HOMICIDE

Leonardo Roquero, M.D. Medical Examiner

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